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### THE ARTS ASSOCIATION.

The Grant of \$2,500 Has Been Given.

On Wednesday last in the House there was considerable discussion over the item in the estimate granting \$2,500 towards the Western Agricultural and Arts Association, under whose auspices it will now be possible to hold an exhibition in Brandon that will eclipse any previous effort made in the province.

Hon. Mr. Greenway supported the grant in a strong speech, and said that the amount of \$500 had been promised last year, and on the strength of this was expended by the fair, but not put in the supplementary estimates. The increased amount had been pressed for by a large deputation and it would not be regretted if the effect of this grant was to create four or five good fairs instead of the fifty small fairs now existing. It was the intention to make this fair for the western part of the province what the Winnipeg Industrial was to the whole west. The premier pointed out that there were some electoral divisions about Brandon which had not had any divisional exhibition, and on this ground might claim, as in the case of the Winnipeg Industrial, such consideration. North Brandon, for instance, had existed for eight years, and if it had had an exhibition getting say \$250 per year, it would have used up \$2,000, so that it would not cost the province any more to give this in a lump sum. He reminded them that a western fair was established in Ontario which in a very few years eclipsed the provincial exhibition. The first experiment here, that of Winnipeg Industrial, had been a success. He hoped this one in Brandon would be a success also. Brandon was better situated than Winnipeg for securing exhibits of live stock. The directors of the Winnipeg exhibition, he understood, were agreeable to this grant, and the government's idea was certainly not that there should be conflict but co-operation between the two exhibitions.

Mr. Sirett opposed the grant on the ground that the finances of the province would not stand the creation of another fair in the western part of the province. He held that Brandon was not entitled more than other places, say Birtle, Neepawa or Deloraine. The idea of creating a big fair was doubtless a nice one, but there were other things which required the money worse, as institutions for the blind, etc. It was opening the door for an annual grant.

Mr. Dickie opposed the grant and defended the smaller fairs. Last year a large number of people visited Brandon and were disappointed at the poor fair.

Mr. Fraser defended the grant. The city of Brandon had arranged to spend \$10,000 to make a first-class fair, if the government would make a grant of \$5,000. If there was any objection to the grant it was that it was too small. The city was the centre of a good farming district. It was not a Brandon affair, but something that would result to the good of the whole province. The city council was giving \$1,000, the citizens \$9,000, and also valued at \$4,000 so that practically Brandon was giving \$14,000. He held that when towns went down into their purses for such large amounts the government was justified in assisting them liberally.

Mr. McFadden acknowledged the enterprise of the people of Brandon, but did not think the time was opportune for the grant.

My Myers felt that good would be accomplished by the expenditure of this money by the people of Brandon, who were doing all they could to present a good exhibition.

Mr. Campbell pointed out that by reason of the distance many people were unable to come to Winnipeg, and it was only right that they should have an opportunity of attending a good exhibition. In addition to the benefit to be derived from the fair, the farmers had also the attraction of the Experimental farm, which every farmer in Manitoba should visit.

Mr. Graham strongly supported the grant. Not only would it result in direct good to the western part of the province, but the indirect benefit in the improvement in the farming industry would be very great. Such an exhibition would not only result in increasing the interest in the Winnipeg fair, but it would also prove a great advertisement for the province.

Mr. Norris supported the grant. Brandon is the centre of a thickly settled district, and the live stock show would be superior to that at Winnipeg.

Mr. Sirett moved to strike out the item for an exhibition at Brandon. Mr. Dickie seconded, but the amendment was lost. The item therefore stood, and the grant of \$2,500 will be made.

**SPEECH FROM THE THRONE.**

Ottawa, March 25.—Lord Aberdeen drove up in a violent snow storm to Parliament Hill this afternoon to open the second session of the 24th parliament. All ministers, except Lordon, were present and all the leading Conservatives except Herbert Turner, who is in Nova Scotia. The senate chamber, where the function took place, was filled with a brilliant assembly of ladies and gentlemen.

The following is the speech from the throne: Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate and Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

In welcoming you on your attendance at the second session of parliament, I desire to express the gratification I feel at the evidence which prevails throughout the Dominion, of the loyalty and affection entertained by the Canadian people for Her Majesty, the Queen, and of the desire to join with their fellow subjects in all parts of the empire in celebrating the Diamond Jubilee, in a manner worthy of the joyous event; and I am pleased to be able also to announce in accordance with an invitation from the Imperial government that arrangements are being made for an effective representation of the Dominion in connection with the commemoration of this historic occasion at the capital of the empire.

**SCHOOL QUESTION.**

Immediately after the last session the government of Manitoba was invited to hold a conference with my ministers on the subject of grievances arising out of the act of that province relating to education, passed in the year 1890. In response to that invitation, three members of the Manitoba government came to Ottawa, and after many and protracted discussions, a settlement was reached between the two governments which was the best arrangement that could be had under the existing conditions of this disturbing question. I confidently hope that this settlement will put an end to the agitation which has marred the harmony and indeed the development of our country and will prove the beginning of a new era to be characterized by generous treatment by one another, mutual concessions and reciprocal good will.

**THE TARIFF.**

A measure will be submitted to you for the revision of the tariff which it is believed will provide the necessary revenue, and while having due regard to the industrial interests will make our fiscal system more satisfactory to the masses of the people. You will be asked to give your support to a bill abolishing the present expensive and unsatisfactory franchise act and adopting for the election of members of the house of commons the franchise of the several provinces.

**ST. LAWRENCE CANALS.**

My government has determined that the advantages to accrue, both to our Western provinces and to the business interests of the whole Dominion from the completion of works for the enlargement of the St. Lawrence canal should no longer be deferred and has, subject to the approval of parliament, taken the initial steps for a vigorous prosecution of these works and for the perfecting of the canal system by the close of the year 1898.

**COLD STORAGE.**

I have much satisfaction in informing you that arrangements have been concluded which, if you approve, will enable the intercolonial system to reach Montreal, and thus share in the large traffic. The advantages which will flow from this extension of that railway are apparent, and I have no doubt you will gladly approve of the project. Appreciating the difficulties encountered by our farmers in placing their perishable food products on the English markets in good condition my government has arranged a complete system of cold storage accommodation at creameries, on railways, at ports and on steamers, by which these products can be preserved at the desired temperature during the whole journey from the point of production to Great Britain. The contract made for this purpose will be laid before you.

**PROHIBITION.**

It is desirable that the mind of the people of Canada should be clearly ascertained on the subject of prohibition and a measure enabling the electors to vote upon that question will be submitted for your approval.

**BEHRING SEA CLAIMS.**

The Behring sea claims convention constituted during the past year to adjust the damages payable to the owners of the British sealing vessels seized by the cruisers of the United States on the high seas, has completed taking the evidence submitted to it by the respective governments. I indulge in the hope that a final and satisfactory adjudication of this long delayed claim will now speedily be reached.

**INDIAN FAMINE.**

The calamity which has befallen our fellow subjects in India has evoked a widespread sympathy in this country. The generous manner in which the appeal for practical tokens of this feeling has been responded to, has elicited warm assurances of grateful acknowledgment from the government of India, which have also been specially and heartily endorsed by the imperial authorities.

**THE ESTIMATES.**

Gentlemen of the House of Commons: The accounts of the past year will be laid before you. The estimates for the coming year will be presented at an early day. They have been framed with every regard for economy consistent with the efficiency of the public service. I regret that the receipts from ordinary sources continue to be inadequate to meet the charges against the consolidated revenue. The proposed revision of the tariff and the application of strict economy in the administration of government will, I trust, restore this equilibrium between income and expenditure.

**CANADIAN CLUB.**

New York, March 29.—Seventy-five Canadians, residing in this city, dined together at the Hotel Majestic tonight and formed the Canadian Society of New York. According to the declaration of the principles, the purpose is the "Fostering of social relations between Canadians in New York and to keep alive memories of Canada."

### W. C. T. U. READING NOTES.

ALCOHOL.

Sir Benjamin Ward Richardson, who has lately passed away, was a great scientist, and a great practising physician. He had much to say concerning the nature and effects of alcohol, and among other things the following: "Alcohol is not included in the scheme of life. The use of alcohol has a heavy price produces an infinity of evil for which there is no compensation and no human cure. There is nothing in alcohol that can make any vital structure of the body. Alcohol employs and carries with it a false necessity. It gives a false idea of happiness, false action, false organization, and false belief in self. No priest, no physician, no poet, no painter ever clothed the devil in more telling attributes of evil."

Thousands of people take wine because they believe it to be a stimulant. They are deceived. It is not a stimulant at all. A stimulant is something which makes us stronger. People take alcohol, and because they feel stronger they think that they are stronger. But they are mocked. A glass of wine is like spurs to a tired horse. It quickens momentarily, but not permanently. The strength vanishes as quickly as it came, and leaves the man weaker than before. Alcohol is a narcotic. It numbs the sensibilities instead of stimulating them.

Upon investigation we find that comparatively little has been said from the platform, or by the temperance press to inform or teach the people as to the evil nature of alcoholic drinks, or of the personal danger of trifling with these stealthy narcotic poisons, although never before in the world's history has there been so much positive testimony against alcohol in all forms testimony which is the result of careful and accurate scientific research.

Is not this the missing element in this problem? To change the figure, the guns have been turned on the saloon and not enough on what the saloon sells.

### BLITH.

A meeting of the Farmers' Institute under the presidency of Mr. Simon Thompson was held last Wednesday for the purpose of making preliminary arrangements for the holding of their second annual ploughing match for all comers, to take place during the summer. A large and efficient committee was appointed and the proceedings were characterized by hearty unanimity. The funds of the institute were liberally pledged to the success of the match. Through the untiring efforts of Mr. William Johnston, who was one of our principal subscribers last year, the firm of Paulin & Ormsdorff have donated the almost princely sum of \$65.00 for prizes, and with what is certain to follow, as soon as spring opens up, the prospect of a very attractive and enjoyable match is indeed very promising. It is not quite assured. That it will surpass last year's very successful match is almost certain. The institute is to present a framed photo of last year's match to each subscriber as a souvenir of the important occasion.

### NEWS BUDGET FROM OTTAWA.

Ottawa, March 25.—Regarding Cowan's Alien Labor exclusion bill, there are some doubts whether such legislation comes within the scope of the Canadian parliament, or whether Imperial sanction might not have to be called for.

### STATEMENT REITERATED.

It is said Mr. Peterson, of Newcastle, has deposited \$100,000 with the Dominion government as a guarantee of his good faith in negotiations for the fast Atlantic service. The statement is reiterated that the contract is provisionally signed.

### CANAL TENDERS.

For a fortnight back the railways and canal department of the Dominion has been dealing with the question of the Soulanges canal contracts and the announcement was made this morning of successful tenders. Sections were originally let to O'Brien and Geo. Goodwin, but they passed out of their hands. Mr. W. J. Hogan, of Montreal, has secured the contract for section 12. Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, thrown up by Goodwin, are awarded to Andrew Opderbeek, of Hamilton. The figures are not announced but are stated to be the lowest tenders. Architect Stewart, who was delayed in the Soulanges canal work, by a dispute over the shape of a winging, will be given the work in section 10.

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## THE MAIL.

BRANDON, MAN.

### The Week's Commercial Summary.

The world's visible supply of wheat decreased 4,000,000 bushels last week.

Fifty failures are reported for last week, being nine less than in the previous week.

Choice securities are firmer in Canada. There has been a good demand of late for bank shares.

Eggs are very low at this season of the year. Case lots of fresh at Toronto bring only 11c. per dozen.

Wheat in Ontario is very scarce, owing to many mills running only part time. At outside points 42c. per bushel has been paid.

The stock of wheat at Toronto amounts to 208,407 bushels as against 199,844 bushels last week and 31,389 bushels a year ago.

The Russian wheat crop of 1896 is now reported at 287,048,000 bushels against 285,112,000 bushels in 1895 and 464,312,000 bushels in 1894.

The stocks of wheat at Port Arthur and Fort William are 2,874,000 bushels, a slight increase for the week. A year ago the amount was 3,372,000 bushels.

There have been liberal purchases of grain of late for export to Europe, but the proportion of wheat shipments is comparatively small. The corn market has been stronger than that for wheat for the past few days.

The visible supply of wheat in the United States and Canada decreased 1,419,000 bushels last week, and the total is now only 41,410,000 bushels as against 42,123,000 bushels a year ago. The amount afloat to Europe decreased 1,200,000 bushels last week, and the total is 20,080,000 bushels as against 28,960,000 bushels a year ago. Together the amount in sight is 61,490,000 bushels as against 91,082,000 bushels a year ago, a decrease of 29,592,000 bushels.

### Here and There.

Prerogation cuts its ice in summer. The higher you go in life the colder it gets.

A seakink saque may cover a mighty cold heart.

The sheriff clerks for those who do not advertise.

Solid banks are not based on good resolutions.

It is better to have your socks darned than your credit.

Those who crown others with thorns will walk thereon.

Happiness is seldom knocked down to the highest bidder.

A shabby bonnet may cover more faith than a cathedral's roof.

The mistakes of charity are virtues; those of avarice crimes.

It does not follow that because goods are marked down dealers are going up.

There may be more help in a loaf of bread than in a hundred dollar subscription.

If you want to find the bargain counter, ask for the place where folks go broke.

There are more public men who would like to have a law requiring newspapers to print their portraits than there are who want a law prohibiting newspapers from doing so.

There never was, and never will be, a universal panacea, in one remedy, for all ills to which flesh is heir—the very nature of many curatives being such that were the germs of other and differently seated diseases rooted in the system of the patient—what would relieve one ill in turn would aggravate the other. We have, however, in Quinine Wine, when obtainable in a sound undiluted state, a remedy for many and grievous ills. By its gradual and judicious use, the frailest systems are led into convalescence and strength, by the influence which Quinine exerts on Nature's own restoratives. It relieves the drooping spirits of those with whom a chronic state of morbid despondency and lack of interest in life is a disease, and, by tranquilizing the nerves, disposes to sound and refreshing sleep; imparts vigor to the action of the blood, which, being stimulated, courses through the veins, strengthening the healthy animal functions of the system, thereby making activity a necessary result, strengthening the frame, and giving life to the digestive organs, which naturally demand increased substance—result, improved appetite. Northrop & Lyman of Toronto, have given to the public their superior Quinine Wine at the usual rate, and, gauged by the opinion of scientists, this wine approaches nearest perfection of any in the market. All druggists sell it.

### A Question of Crops.

Farmer—If this weather keeps up it'll bring things right out of the ground, won't it?

Widower—I hope not. I've got two wives there already.

Mr. T. J. Humes, Columbus, Ohio, writes: "I have been afflicted for some time with Kidney and Liver Complaint, and find Parment's Pills the best medicine for these diseases. These Pills do not cause pain or griping, and should be used when a cathartic is required. They are Gelatine Coated, and rolled in the Flour of Lacquer to preserve their purity, and give them a pleasant agreeable taste."

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## TOPICS OF THE WEEK.

### HERE IS THE NEWS IN SHORT ORDER.

Things from all Parts of the Globe, Condensed and Arranged for Busy Readers.

### CANADIAN.

George Butler, aged 60, was drowned in the Grand River at Onondaga.

The Royal Grenadiers, Toronto, will be invited to visit Kingston on May 24 and 25.

The Hamilton & Dundas railway traffic was interrupted on Saturday by a wash-out.

The Dominion line has ordered a new steamship from Harland & Wolff, of Belfast.

Safe crackers stole over \$240 from the T. E. Walker's Company's safe at Hamilton.

Mr. Justice Taschereau of the Supreme Court and Miss Panet were married at Ottawa.

Willie Little, a Weston boy, slipped off a bridge over the Humber River and was carried away.

Mr. J. W. Bell, M. P., was re-elected Grand Master of the Orange Grand Lodge of Ontario East.

The Furness Line steamer Halifax City has arrived at Halifax 23 days overdue from London.

Mr. John Patterson, a Grand Trunk employee at St. Thomas, was run over by a train and killed.

The by-law to issue \$10,000 debentures to consolidate the debt of Welland was carried almost unanimously.

No contract has been signed by the Dominion Government with Mr. Petersen for a fast Atlantic service.

The ministers are ensuring the newspapers at various cities for devoting too much space to the prize fight.

The Grand Orange Lodge of Ontario East, which was in session at Picton, decided to meet in Renfrew next year.

Two cases supposed to be leprosy are under the supervision of the Winnipeg Health Department. Both are foreigners.

Mr. John Beattie, who had been County Clerk of Wellington for more than 30 years, died in Fergus, Ont., Sunday night.

The writ for Colchester, N. S., has been issued. The nomination takes place on the 13th and the election on the 20th of April.

The rumor is revived that Judge Taschereau will shortly resign, and be succeeded by Mr. Langelier, M. P. for Quebec Center.

The bill to amend the School Act of 1890 passed in Committee of the Whole at Monday's session of the Manitoba Legislature.

An old lady named Mrs. Mary E. Monteith, living in Stratford, Ont., was killed on Saturday by a runaway horse in that city.

Former Trainmaster Coyle, of the M. C. R., is to be appointed superintendent of the T. H. & B. division with headquarters here.

A coroner's jury at Hamilton decided that Charles Curran came to his death by his foot being caught in a frog not properly packed.

The Governor-General will shortly announce a date for the closing of the national India famine fund, which has now reached about \$120,000.

Mr. George Mercer, governor of the county of Guelph, died Friday, aged 79. He had held the position of governor of the gael for 37 years.

Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick explained the object of his visit to Rome and his position on the school settlement to his constituents at Loretto, Quebec.

T. P. Mulhollen, a clerk employed by S. Davis & Co., cigar manufacturers, Montreal, was arrested on a charge of embezzling \$800 from the firm.

A bill is in preparation to re-establish the Department of Inland Revenue and Customs, as they existed before that of Trade and Commerce was formed.

At Friday's session of the Canadian Order of Honor Circles, at Brantford, officers were elected and London chosen as the place of meeting for next year.

Robert Fox, beyond the control of his parents, was sentenced to two years in the Penitentiary Reformatory on a formal charge of stealing tobacco from his father.

Mr. Nosse, Consul-General for Japan at Vancouver, B.C., who is at present in Ottawa, will shortly have a conference with the Toronto Board of Trade on trade matters.

Mr. Clegue, of South Ste. Marie, who is engaged in the manufacture of pulp, is in Ottawa with the object of inducing the Government to put an export duty on pulp wood.

Leclaire v. Labadie is a suit about to be tried at Chatham in which one French-Canadian is suing another for \$10,000 damages for alienation of his wife's affections.

The Halifax express from Montreal ran off the track on Thursday night at Beauport, Que., a flag station on the Intercolonial railway. The engine driver was seriously injured.

It has been decided that the military feature of the Queen's diamond jubilee in Montreal shall take the form of a church parade on June 20 and a grand review on June 22.

Mrs. Thomas F. Kelly, wife of a carpenter, dropped dead during vespers in St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Toronto, Sunday evening. Heart failure was the cause of death.

Mr. Richard Halford, of Welome, dove into a stream and was carried away. His horse was drowned, and he was rescued with great difficulty after being in the water about two hours.

Sir Donald Smith proposes that Montreal should celebrate the diamond jubilee by erecting an establishment for the training of nurses. Mayor Wilson Smith favors the building of a viceregal residence.

Everything points to the early opening of navigation through the great lakes and the St. Lawrence system. It is expected that vessels will be passing through from Lake Erie to Lake Ontario by the middle of next month.

It is stated that the Dominion Government, in addition to entering into an arrangement for four fast steamers on the Atlantic route, intend deepening the St. Lawrence canal to a uniform depth of fourteen feet.

Dr. Bourinot, honorary secretary of the Royal Society of Canada, has received a letter from the Mayor of Bristol, Eng., stating that two members of the City Council will be present at the Cabot celebration in Halifax, N. S., next June.

A carefully prepared scheme for the incorporation of the Drummond County railway in the Intercolonial system is now occupying the attention of the Dominion Government. It is proposed to complete the necessary link to connect the Intercolonial trains into Montreal over the Grand Trunk tracks.

### UNITED STATES.

The floods in Tennessee are increasing, and reports from Memphis record loss of life and great destruction of property.

Scott Jackson and Alonzo Walling were executed at Newpop, Ky., on Saturday for the murder of Pearl Bryan.

A cyclone wrecked the High School building at Arlington, Georgia. Nine of the children were killed and a large number seriously injured.

The steamer Creole reported at New York that she had picked up a boat containing dead bodies, believed to be victims of the St. Nazaire steamship disaster.

In the American Senate Senator Davis, for the Committee on Foreign Relations, submitted a report on the general treaty of arbitration with Great Britain with certain amendments made by the committee. Senator Morgan, of Alabama, took the floor immediately and began a vigorous speech against the ratification of the convention.

The proprietors of Parment's Pills are cordially recommending to the public the following which explains itself. Mr. John A. Bean, Waterloo, Ont., writes: "I never used any medicine that can equal Parment's Pills for Dyspepsia or Liver and Kidney Complaints. The relief experienced after using them was wonderful. As a safe family medicine Parment's Vegetable Pills can be given in all cases requiring a Cathartic."

### FOREIGN.

Lord Salisbury is suffering from a mild attack of influenza, and cannot leave the house at present.

The national monument of Emperor I. of Germany will be unveiled in Berlin with much ceremony.

A very serious water famine exists in the central and southern portions of the Island of Jamaica.

The honorary degree of Doctor of Civil Law was conferred upon Dr. Nansen by Oxford University.

Mgr. Petre, a domestic chaplain of the Pope, and a priest attached to Portsmouth cathedral, is dead.

Lord Salisbury, who has been suffering from influenza for the past few days, has almost entirely recovered.

It is rumored in Paris that Prince Henry of Orleans will be offered the position of Governor of Crete.

There is strong opposition to the segregation measures in native Indian towns, and several riots have resulted.

The London Lancet says that the rumor of the ill-health of the Czar from cerebral symptoms are unfounded.

Mgr. Merry del Val, the new Papal Ablegate, sailed from Liverpool on Saturday for New York, on his way to Canada.

Violent gales prevailed all Thursday night throughout Germany, causing some loss of life and great destruction of property.

The Catalan Committee has issued a manifesto demanding autonomy similar to the scheme proposed for Cuba for Catalonia.

The lookout in the engineering trade of England began on Friday night, and bids fair to paralyze the trade of the country.

The Dutch steamer Utrecht, which is supposed to have foundered at sea, carried a crew of thirty-six men, but no passengers.

The largest diamond in the world has arrived in London from Kimberley. It is said to be worth two million and a half dollars uncut.

A large monument of Emperor William I. was unveiled at Berlin with magnificent ceremonies. Monday was the old Emperor's centenary.

Jan MacLaren (the Rev. John Watson) is to be tried before the Presbyterian Synod for alleged heretical teachings in "Mind and the Master."

Henry Velterson Goring, a tobaccoist of Tamworth, has succeeded to a baronetcy by the death of Sir Craven Goring, the tenth baronet of that name.

President Kruger is very evasive in his reply to Mr. Chamberlain complaining of Boer violation of the London treaty and there is fear of a Transvaal war.

A despatch to The London Times from Athens states that a strict blockade of Crete began on Wednesday. There will be no blockade of Greek ports for some time to come.

Another step in the direction of municipal ownership has been taken in Liverpool, where the corporation has purchased the horses, vehicles and good-will of the American Tramway & Omnibus Co.

The Wilson line steamer Bialto was set on fire by the explosion of chemicals during a hurricane. The Allan line steamer Carthagenian stood by until the weather moderated and rescued all on board.

The Lord Mayor of Dublin has issued invitations to a meeting at the Mansion House to start a Parnell family fund. Mrs. Parnell and Mr. John Parnell being both in needy circumstances.

The alarming rumors of the Kaiser's dangerous mental condition are confirmed, and there is talk in Berlin of appointing his brother, Prince Henry of Prussia, regent, with an advisory council.

It is learned that the British Government propose to deal with the question of contagious disease among the British troops in India by placing the inspection of women in the hands of women doctors.

Serious damage by floods is reported at Brantford and Glen Williams. In the United States vast tracts of country are under water, the loss of lives and property and suffering of the people being appalling.

In the House of Commons Mr. Balfour refused to make any explanation concerning Mr. Meline's speech, and said if Sir William Vernon Harcourt wished to make a vote of censure on account of his refusal let him name the day.

The Cretan chiefs have rejected the scheme for autonomy proposed by the powers, declaring that nothing but an annexation to Greece will satisfy them. It is said the powers are rapidly drifting apart in their policies of dealing with the question.

## CURED OF SCIATICA.

Left Hip Affected—Suspected Kidney Trouble—Relieved and Perfectly Cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Toronto Junction, March 22.—(Special).—Mr. H. Playtor, is not a difficult man to find as everybody here knows that he is foreman at No. 1 Fire Hall. He was the picture of health when called upon by your correspondent and told his story thus:—

In April, 1896, I suffered from a severe attack of Sciatica affecting my left hip and the leg to the tip of the toes. I suspected it came from some form of kidney trouble and as they had been recommended I procured a box of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

At the end of the fourth day I was entirely relieved from desiring a permanent cure I continued to use that and another box and am now perfectly cured and as well as ever in my life. A brother of mine living at Pine Orchard has been cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

## A BROKEN DOWN LUMBERMAN.

Not a Financial, But Worse, a Physical Wreck—Past Doctor's Skill, But Cured by South American Nervine.

Prostrated by nervous debility. Mr. E. E. Errett, lumber merchant and mill owner of Merrickville, Ont., was forced to withdraw from the activities of business. He says: "I tried everything in the way of doctor's skill and proprietary medicines, but nothing helped me. I was influenced to use South American Nervine, and I can truthfully say that I had not taken half a bottle before I found beneficial effects. As a result of several bottles I find myself to-day strong and healthy, and ready for any amount of business, where before my nervous system was so undermined that I could scarcely sign my own name with a pen or pencil. I say, feelingly and knowingly, get a bottle of this wonderful medicine."

Wanted to Meet Her. "Papa," said the physician's little son, "who is that new aunt I heard you talking about to mamma?"

"I don't remember speaking of a new aunt, Willie."

"Well, you were telling her something Auntie Septie."

Toughening China. A very effective way of toughening the nerves consists of placing the articles to be toughened in a large kettle of copper (or of folding cloths, etc., around the things to keep them from knocking together), in enough cold water to cover them entirely; bring this water to a boil, let it boil for some time, then lift the pan off the fire, and do not touch its contents till the water is perfectly cold.

Couldn't Believe He Was Crooked. "Our cashier's defalcation was a great surprise to us."

"Why?"

"He wrote such a beautiful upright hand."—Chicago Record.

Very Tiring. Cholly swallow—This being a new-membled of society is a great strain, don't you know.

John Jones—So I should imagine. These police raids must keep a man thinking.

The Horse—nobles of the brute creation—when suffering from a cut, abrasion, or sore, derives as much benefit as its master in a like predicament, from the healing, soothing action of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Lameness, swelling of the neck, stiffness of the joints, throat and lungs, are relieved by it.

NO USE OF HIS LEGS. Doctors Could Not Help Him, But Two Bottles of South American Kidney Cure Removed the Disease.

The story of a Wingham Farmer.

Kidney disease can be cured. Mr. John Small, a retired farmer of Wingham, Ont., says: "For two years I suffered untold misery, and at all times could not walk, and any standing position gave intense pain, the result of kidney disease. Local physicians could not help me, and I was continually growing worse, which alarmed my family and friends. Seeing South American Kidney Cure advertised, I grasped at it as a dying man will grasp at anything. Result—before half a bottle had been taken I was totally relieved of pain, and two bottles entirely cured me." To cure kidney disease a liquid medicine must be taken, and one that is a solvent, and can thus dissolve the sand-like particles in the blood.

Cheated. Smith—I suppose you heard that Jones is dead?

Brown—Confound the rogue! He always did the mean thing. He said only yesterday he would pay me or die.

COULD NOT TURN IN BED. Terrible Suffering of an Elderly Lady From Rheumatism and Kidney Trouble, Cured by Two Bottles of South American Kidney Cure.

No pen can describe the intensity of suffering that may come from an attack of rheumatism. "For fifteen years," says Mrs. John Beaumont, of Elora, Ont., "I have been more or less troubled with rheumatism, which took the form of pains in my back, often confining me to my bed, and rendering me part of the time wholly unfit for my duties. At times I suffered so intensely that I could not turn in my bed, and the disease was fast reaching a point where both myself and my husband had become thoroughly discouraged of recovery. A friend recommended South American Kidney Cure, and after the first bottle I was able to sit up, and before four bottles were taken I was able to go about as usual, and have been in excellent health ever since."

To Polish Brass Kettles. To polish brass kettles or anything brass that is very much tarnished, first rub it with a solution of oxalic acid and then dry and polish with rotten stone or very fine emery dust.

Free and easy expectation immediately relieves and cures the throat and lungs from visceral plague, and a medicine that promotes this is the best medicine to use for coughs, colds, inflammation of the lungs and all affections of the throat and chest. This is precisely what Bickie's Anti-Consumptive Syrup is a specific for, and wherever used it has given unbounded satisfaction. Children like it because it is pleasant, adults like it because it relieves and cures the disease.

## SAVED HER LIFE.

### THE NARROW ESCAPE OF A FERGUS MERCHANT'S DAUGHTER.

Had Been Weak and Sickly From Infancy—Neither Doctor Nor Friends Thought She Would Survive—Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Saved Her Life—Advice to Parents.

From the Fergus News-Record.

Mr. C. M. Post, fruit and confectionery dealer, St. Andrew street, Fergus, last week related to a representative of the News-Record, the sad story of the terrible suffering and sickness of his little daughter Ella, his only child, now a strong and healthy little maiden of ten years of age. At the time of the child's illness Mr. Post was a resident of Hamilton. His story is substantially as follows:—

"My daughter had been very delicate from childhood until about three years ago, and the money it cost me for doctor's bills made me poor as a rat. I was seldom seen without a doctor's care, and at times we have had many as three doctors in attendance and hope of saving her despaired of. The doctors succeeded in keeping her alive, but she was gradually growing weaker, and we all thought she was going to die. Our regular physician had given up hope of saving her life and remarked that if it were only warm weather, (it was then winter) there might be a chance. But seven summers had passed since her birth and she had gradually become feeble, and my wife and I thought it was just a matter of time until the child would be called to a better home. About this time Dr. Williams' Pink Pills were prominently brought to our notice through a cure they wrought in a neighbor's child. I thought I would give them a trial and so informed the doctor, but he only laughed at the idea of them helping her. However I bought a box of the Pink Pills, and began giving them to her, half a pill at a time. After a short treatment there was such an improvement that neither her mother nor I could doubt that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills were helping her, and I decided to abandon the doctor's services altogether. The Pink Pill treatment was continued and although the progress towards health and strength was necessarily slow, it was none the less certain and it was continued until she is now well and strong as you see her to-day, and I am thankful to say she has had no occasion for medical treatment since. I am a strong believer in the efficacy of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, for weak and delicate children, and I firmly believe it was this medicine that saved my child."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are an all-round-year medicine and are quite as efficacious in the case of children as in adults. They restore to the blood its lacking constituents and make it rich, red and pure. In this way they strengthen the system and drive out disease. There are many cases, like the above in which this wonderful medicine has restored health and strength after the best medical advice had failed. The genuine Pink Pills are sold in boxes, the wrapper round which bears the full trade mark. "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People." There are other pills colored pink, but they are base imitations offered only because they give the dealer a greater profit. They should always be refused.

Hard Times. "Where is your father?"

"He's down to the Corners talking about hard times."

"And your mother, where is she?"

"She's having one out at the woodpile, I guess."

He Thought He Did. Judge—Do you understand the nature of an oath?

Juvenile Witness—It's like this:—I'll—

DEAFNESS CANNOT BE CURED by local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube is inflamed, you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it becomes chronic, deafness results, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing cannot be recovered. It is not a matter of ten or twenty days, but of months and years, unless you use the best remedy. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness cured by our method that cannot be cured by any other method. Send for circular, free.

Very Simple. Wiggins—I wish I could find a remedy for rheumatism.

Mrs. Chaff—Why don't you take a good sleep?

"GOLD MINES" Get in on the Ground Floor if You Want to Make Money.

A limited number of promoter's shares in a first class company for sale. Promoter's price is large and they are sure. Agents wanted. Standard stocks at lowest rates.

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(INCORPORATED) FREDERICK A. BURNHAM, President, 365, 367, 369 Broadway, New York City. Sixteenth Annual Statement. Covering Year Ending December 31st, 1896.

INCREASES.

In Cash Income—\$20,195.41

In Invested Assets—\$20,000.28

In Net Surplus—\$47,439.64

In New Business Received—\$15,142.02

In Business in Force—\$16,260.00



## SOME NARROW ESCAPES

### Chicago Police Face Death In the Discharge of Duty.

#### THEY TELL OF CLOSE CALLS.

Inspector Schack dodged bullets—Captain Koch's life saved by a letter box—Inspector Laughlin's brave capture of a madman—Officer Howard's escape.

Police duty in Chicago is dangerous enough now, but patrol duty today is play to what it was a score of years ago in the tough districts. Many of the men who now hold responsible and authoritative positions in the department have had death's grip at their throats more than once, and many a patrolman, for whom promotion is yet in the future, has looked the same adversary square in the face.

Inspector Michael Schack has probably had as many narrow escapes as any member of the force, but for 28 years he has been puzzling over two things. One is how a burglar who placed a gun square against his head and fired managed to miss him, and the other is what it was that struck him in the breast and smashed him up badly while he was in pursuit of the same marauder.

"While he was going through the fence I fired at him and then attempted to crawl through the hole after him. I was heavier than he was, and when half way forward I stuck fast and could get neither forward nor back. Both my hands, with the revolver clasped tightly in one of them, were on the wrong side of the fence. Harris saw my fix, and in the twinkling of an eye he turned, jumped for me, placed the muzzle of his revolver against my head, and fired. I ducked, but it seemed to me that I must have ducked after the flash. The ball cut a hole in my hair, but I escaped injury. I managed to free myself in another moment, but I no longer stood on my feet then. I fell senseless. Harris cleared out the moment he saw that my hands were free. It was an hour before I gained consciousness. When I did come to finally, officers who had been attracted by the shooting had captured the burglar. There was a great bruise on my chest six inches in diameter. I had been struck a fatal blow, and it was so much as to lose consciousness, but from that day, 28 years ago, to this I have never known when I was hit or what hit me."

Officer Thomas J. Howard, who travels out of central station as a plain clothes man, had an experience with a French Canadian burglar named Le Montagne some years ago which gave Howard the reputation for coolness and courage which he has since sustained in many another tight place. It was Labor day and Officer Howard was walking along Halsted street, near Boston avenue. There was a great crowd of people in the street, and a detective saw a man acting suspiciously in its midst. As soon as he got a good look at his face he recognized him as a notorious burglar who was badly wanted. Le Montagne saw the officer and ran. Howard chased him into a yard in the rear of a house on Boston avenue. The amiable burglar pulled a revolver and pointed blank at the detective, but missed his aim. In an instant Howard had grabbed Le Montagne, his right arm passing around the burglar's body and his left being actively engaged in preventing his antagonist from getting the muzzle of the revolver at his head. Howard had drawn his revolver and held it fast in his right hand, but being compelled to exert his strength in holding the burglar, he could not bring the weapon into play. Le Montagne fired three times at the officer while he was held in his embrace. Howard's face and left hand were powerfully burned, but he was not hurt. He succeeded at last in knocking the weapon aside just as the trigger was pulled and in escaping the leaden missiles by the breadth of a hair. As the fourth shot was fired Howard tripped his assailant and had him well in hand to secure him. It was just at this juncture that Officer Rafferty appeared. He saw the gun in Le Montagne's hand, he fired at him directly over Howard's shoulder, and the burglar died in the very grasp of the detective.

Ex-Inspector Edward Laughlin was for many years accounted the coolest and most courageous man, perhaps, on the police force of Chicago. He won fame for himself many years ago when he disarmed an insane Frenchman in the old Polk street depot. The Frenchman's name was Reineau. He boarded a Chicago bound train at Kansas City, and after the Missouri river had been passed he suddenly rose from his seat, drew two revolvers and drove all the passengers from the car. He was violent, and it was evident in a moment that the car was in the possession of a maniac. An attempt was made at a small station to side track the demented Frenchman, but as soon as an attempt was made to unseat him, he fired at the brakeman who attempted to make the disconnection and drove him away. He held at bay officers who were summoned at one or two small stations, and it was finally decided to run into Chicago and to leave the matter of arresting the crazy man to

the Chicago police. A telegram was sent ahead, and a detail of officers, under command of Lieutenant Laughlin, went to the depot to meet the incoming train. The engineer of the train began tooting his whistle shrilly as soon as he struck the city limits, and he kept up the blasts until he drew in at the depot, and then jumped from his cab and cleared out. The passengers were all in the rear coach, and as soon as the train stopped they scattered like sheep. The force of policemen separated, one-half of them passing on either side of the coach containing the armed maniac. As soon as he saw the first brass button he jumped to the platform and fired. Patrolman Cornelius Barrett fell dead with a bullet in his groin. Reineau then jumped from the car and started for the street, keeping up a fusillade of shots. The alarm



had spread, and people were coming from all directions, though they made hot haste to get away when they caught sight of the maddened Frenchman, his two big guns and his full of ammunition. Lieutenant Laughlin was in citizen's clothes. He pressed Reineau closely. A narrow escape, seeing Laughlin with a revolver in his hand, mistook him for the maniac and hurled a brick at his head. The lieutenant's skull was nearly cracked by the force of the blow, but he kept on after the demented Frenchman, who finally sought refuge in a corner and turned on his heel. Laughlin walked straight up to him and took both his revolvers away and led the man out a prisoner.

"It was way back in 1873 that I had the closest shave for my life while in discharge of police duty," said Captain Charles G. Koch of the Harrison Street station. "One of Uncle Sam's letter boys saved my life that March night, but, as it was, I was found with a fractured skull, a broken arm and a smashed rib or two. I was traveling out of Deering Street station, and one night, when near the corner of Halsted and Thirty-seventh streets, I saw Officer Reinhardt struggling with two men in the middle of the sidewalk. I ran to his assistance and had grabbed one of his assailants, when four more men appeared and assaulted Reinhardt and myself. Somehow or other we got separated, and I had the greater part of the crowd on top of me. One of them had a big pistol of scanning lay in his hand. He made a drive at my head with it, and I threw up my left arm to ward off the blow. The result was a broken bone and a useless arm. Three of the assailants were at my back and two in front. We fought from one sidewalk across the street to the other at a point directly under a lamp post."

"They took my club away from me, and when the opposite side of the street had been reached a blow fractured my skull and stretched me on the walk. I had been struggling all this time with my good arm to get hold of my revolver, but had been unable to free it from my pocket. The instant that I felt to the walk under the lamppost the man with the scuffling raised it far back of him and aimed a terrible blow at my head. That would have finished me if the stick had ever struck the mark. The shadows fell on a little, however, and the blow fell square on top of the letter box attached to the lamppost, and the iron was shattered in fragments. At that instant I succeeded in getting my revolver from my pocket, and the man who wielded the scuffling never raised a piece of wood as big as a lead pencil again in his life. I shot him, and he fell in his tracks. Just as I fired one of my assail-



ants had thrown himself on top of me, with both knees on my chest and his hands on my throat. I shot him, and he rolled off and freed me. Reinhardt reappeared about this time, and the assailants ran. We both fired, and one of those running fell. When we came to figure up casualties, we had two dead men on our hands and one man shot in the leg. For my part, I was in bed for four months."

**Bold Highwaymen in St. Louis.**  
Mrs. Lizzie Moran was dragged off a St. Louis street car at 10 o'clock in the morning by two thieves and robbed of her pocketbook, containing \$5 and other valuables, while a third highwayman held the passengers at bay with a revolver.  
Mrs. Moran had stopped the car at Eighth street and Cass avenue and was making her way to the rear platform, when she felt a tug at her pocket. She turned upon the thief, but two men grabbed her and dragged her off the car. In the struggle which ensued she was thrown to the ground, and while one of the robbers held her arms the other secured her pocketbook. In the meantime the conductor and passengers of the car were about to rush to her assistance, but a third party, who had taken no hand in the assault, coolly leveled a revolver at the car door and warned the occupants to keep off. They kept off, and the footpads got away.

## HIS CLASSICAL EDUCATION.

When Smith Was In Rome, He Couldn't Do as Americans Do.

Alexander Septimus Smith was regarded at Harvard as the best classic scholar of his day. His Latin prose only differed from Cicero's best in being superior to it. A peer of success and glory lay before him. When a young man of his caliber could know what he did of his grim old past! What a glorious thing it was to have knowledge.

Smiling in a fever, he awoke to find himself walking in the center of ancient Rome. There was the Capitol, with a howl, he knew what he did of his grim old past! What a glorious thing it was to have knowledge.

But he had no time for further reflection. A large crowd had gathered around him, wondering whether he was a barbarian or a god. A letter came up to inquire, and at once placed Smith under arrest as a suspicious person. The old sweat stood on Alexander's forehead. As the letter spoke there was heard the roar of the hungry lion from within the Coliseum. As he marched along to the cells he instinctively put his hand in his pocket. There was his new revolver. His spirits rose, but only to sink again when he found that all the cartridges had been fired but one, and he had no others with him.

He was taken before the manager and allotted a part in the "grand finale," when 20 wild beasts were feasted on 20 Christians. Even at this terrible moment the thought of "one man one lion" brought a smile to his pale lips. Let him tackle his lion alone! After considerable parley his request was granted.

At last his turn came. With a loud roar, a large but consumptive looking lion came trotting toward him. Alexander grasped his pistol firmly. A yell from the audience, a darkening of the air, and the lion was upon him. He pulled his trigger and fell beneath the beast. When Alexander came to himself, the whole assembly was ringing with applause. The lion, shot through the brain, lay dead at his feet.

Alexander was taken before the emperor and congratulated warmly on his victory. On the following day he must have a turn with the gladiators. Having no more cartridges, Alexander declined the honor. But the emperor was obdurate. Just then the poet Homer came up and asked him the secret of his wonderful smoke killer. Alexander only smiled, and murmured something about "integer vitae sedesque parus," and so passed was the poet at hearing him quoted that he suggested that the barbarian should be exempt from further punishment if he would explain how to make those wonderful smoke killers.

Alexander said not only would he do that, but that he would show them many another triumph of science—the electric light, or how to make midnight suns with the aid of his hands, or how to direct hands across the seas in an instant, and an engine which would draw chariots 60 miles an hour.

So it was arranged that on the 15th of March the barbarian should explain his wonderful discoveries. Meanwhile he was asked how many workmen he had in the manufacture of his implements. The days flew madly by.

At the appointed hour Alexander faced his audience and began in his best Latin: "Friends, Romans and Emperor—Lend me your ears. I will lay before you the triumphs of my inventive genius. First, the electric light, bright as the sun, and you can have lamps of it in your houses or in the street. A child can light a whole city in an instant. Electricity is of two kinds and runs along the wires to the lamp. Here, you observe, are two wires, and here is a lamp. To light the lamp I turn a tap like this, which lets the electric current run along the wires. (Slight applause and cries of "Light the lamp!") Electricity is made in a battery or in a dynamo. Unfortunately I forgot how either of these instruments is made!" (Loud murmurs.)

"Having shown you the wonders of the electric light, we now pass on to the telegraph. This also requires a battery. (Greens.) By simple means of electric shocks passing along the wires a man here in Rome may in one minute send a message to a friend in Greece or even in Britain. (Incredulous murmurs.) I cannot illustrate this marvellous invention because, as I have explained, I have no battery. (Loud groans.) But I assure you upon my honor that every word that I have said is true."

"We now pass to the smoke killer with which you saw me stay the lion. (Loud cheers.) This will be of service to you in your wars. These smoke killers are sometimes made so big as to send balls of more than a mile. (Ironical cheers.)"

"The secret of this marvellous force is gunpowder, which, when lighted, explodes with a roar as of thunder and drives out the ball. Unfortunately I have run out of gunpowder (groans), and I have been unable to find materials to manufacture some. I believe it most important ingredient of saltpetre, but I have been unable to find any. (Loud hooting and cries of "To the lions!")"

"Have patience, friends and Romans. Here is a steam engine which runs on iron rails. I have attached a chariot to it. In the engine is placed water, underneath which burns a fire. As I speak, the water must be nearly boiling. The steam thus generated passes into a cylinder and forces out a large bar of iron attached to the spokes of one of the wheels, and thus the wheel will go round and the engine will start. (Cheers.) See it move. The engine starts. (Murmurs of applause.) I speak, the water must be nearly boiling. The steam thus generated passes into a cylinder and forces out a large bar of iron attached to the spokes of one of the wheels, and thus the wheel will go round and the engine will start. (Cheers.) See it move. The engine starts. (Murmurs of applause.) I speak, the water must be nearly boiling. 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### THE SPEECH.

From the speech opening the Commons at Ottawa on Thursday last it is quite apparent, contrary to the expectations of many, the Laurier government does not intend to again touch the school question, and that shows so much wisdom, the amendments passed at Winnipeg last week are to be a finality; and while they do not leave the matter in the form many could desire, they are so infinitely superior to the provisions of the old remedial bill that the great majority of the people at least should be satisfied.

A change in the tariff is announced, and it is to be hoped it will mean relief to the people of Canada, in a heavy reduction in the protective principles. So far as we see at present the retrenchment in expenditure so necessary has not been commenced, and until it is the desired reduction in collections cannot properly be made. However, as yet it is too early to say much on this subject, so we await a full development of the government's policy.

It is apparently the intention of the government to adopt the franchises of the several provinces for a federal franchise measure. This can never give unqualified satisfaction, for as the qualifications are different in the several provinces, on such an act we would have a House elected by sections on different representations, varying the status of the representatives.

The enlargement of the St. Lawrence canal is projected, which is not very promising for the Hudson's Bay R.R. With the present state of our finances and exports, there is no immediate necessity for the H.B.R.R. and an improved route via the St. Lawrence as well.

The proposal to extend the Intercolonial R.R. to Montreal is a good one if the government intends to retain the road. Extending it to Montreal will of course improve its earnings and diminish the prospects for loss to the country.

The cold storage system for the farmers of the country is very much needed. Too much attention cannot be given to the protection of our food supplies from the point of production to the centres of consumption in the Old Countries. Everything done in this line will enhance the value of the product to the Canadian consumer.

A plebiscite is to be taken on the liquor question, which is the only safe course for any government to take. First learn the wishes of the people on any such important question as this, and after they are ascertained give force to them in legislation.

Amendments to the civil service and superannuation acts are proposed, and if they result in employing more but capable men, and the number of those for whom there is work, and making the superannuation fund self-sustaining the people will have cause to rejoice in the changes.

### THE CITY'S POSITION.

We don't think the city council will accomplish the desired end in the reduction of the people's burdens in taxation by dismissing policemen, cutting off electric lights, land grants, etc. While the closest economy is desired in all these outlays, it is only chicanery after all. Our debenture interest is about \$35,000 a year, a little over 5 per cent on the total debentures, and here is where the pruning knife must commence if the financial situation is to be bettered. Everyone knows that 2 per cent is a good rate of interest, the English capitalists those who for the most part hold our bonds; and if through the wildness of boom days they have their hands on two pounds of flesh, instead of one, there is no reason they should not be compelled to let go an illegitimate hold. The city could well pay \$20,000 a year interest when it can never continue to pay \$35,000. Dismissing or starving necessary officials will never bring a cure—it will only drive tax payers out of the city, increase the burdens of those remaining who have to stay, and injure the reputation of the place. What judgment would suggest is correspondence with present bond holders and assure them of the facts candidly and frankly. Assure them with a new issue of debentures covering 30 or 40 years bearing 3 per cent sold at par, there would be no difficulty in the way of interest payments, while with matters as they are legislation to lighten the burdens of the people must be invoked. The provincial parliament has it in its power to limit the rate of taxation of the city on say a two thirds value of property, and specify the purposes for which the taxes should go—so many mills say for schools, so many for current expenditures, and the remainder for interest if it did not pay one per cent. Now it would be much better for the bond holders to make a fresh arrangement with the council direct on the lines we have indicated than force recourse to legislation. To our mind the best for

the council to do is learn who the bond holders are at the earliest possible moment, place the naked facts before them and offer the alternatives. If this is done the one they would accept if alive to their own interests, is quite apparent.

To the average mind it would appear wisdom on the part of Mr. Laurier to muzzle the Grits of Quebec in the provincial elections, if he has any power over them. It is of course, unfair to hold any leader responsible for all the utterances of his following; but for decency sake the gag ought to be used in the pending Quebec provincial elections, for the country's welfare. Their entire platform appears to be a tirade of abuse of the Conservative party of Canada on religious grounds. The Tories, for instance, are held responsible for the hanging of Reil, when every school boy knows it was only the law of the land that treated him to his just deserts. He was a murderer, and the law says all murderers must swing. The good Book also says that, "Whoever sheddeth man's blood by man shall his blood be shed." The Tories too are held responsible for an effort to defeat the Jesuits' estates bill, when it was under a Tory government it was allowed to become law, and that in the House but 13 (the devil's thirteen, some of whom were Grits) voted for the disallowance of the Bill. Had the Tories as a party desired its defeat they could have defeated it. The Tories are next accused of passing the Orange Incorporation Bill, and what a pity to be sure. The Orangists should all be hanged and quartered. For the reputation of Canada this kind of warfare ought to be set on by all our citizens.

### THE FELT FACTORY.

During the past few weeks it is safe to say no two members of the Legislature were more active in lobbying than Messrs. Adams and Fraser, representatives for the city and North Brandon respectively. They were ably assisted by Mr. H. C. Graham, of the south. They had in hand a couple of tasks which would scarcely have been successful in other hands. The proceedings of Wednesday are reported as follows:

Mr. Adams moved the second reading of bill No. 23, to amend the municipal act. This bill, he explained was to allow the city of Brandon to loan a sum of money to start a felt factory. The factory will be exempted from taxation or from their water rate. They would use wool, a raw material of the province, and they would produce felt boots, an actual necessity in Brandon and the Northwest. This was an entirely different thing from a bonus, and the scheme had the almost unanimous approval of the citizens of Brandon. There would be ample security for the amount loaned.

Mr. Roblin supported the bill because it embodied in it the principle of protection, the policy of the great Conservative party. The great Liberal party had also announced its acceptance of the policy of protection, and had thrown overboard the principle of free trade. Mr. Fraser supported the bill but not on the same ground as Mr. Roblin. Whatever the manufacturers got under protection they kept, whereas here it was only a loan. He was not in favor of bonuses as a principle but in this case the city were going to lend \$8,000 on property valued at \$20,000. The scheme was one that deserved to be passed on its own merits.

Hon. Mr. Cameron said that if this were only a loan secured on the best business principles, why was the money not raised from a loan company. The privilege allowed municipalities of borrowing grist mills had been taken away and to grant this would be to take a retrograde step. This was an aid, an assistance, and therefore a bonus. He would have to vote against the bill.

Mr. Fisher looked at it on the ground of expediency and favored the bill if it would be provided that the loan should be submitted to the ratepayers of Brandon.

Mr. Lauson opposed the bill on the ground that he was opposed to bonuses at all times. He supported the sound principle that the government had adopted as to abolishing all power to bonus. He instanced the case of number of municipalities which had lost heavily through bonusing. He also gave the case of Emerson and also the Norwood bridge. He held that a man who needed \$8,000 to start in business was not a desirable man for a town.

Mr. Dickie opposed this bonus, he did not believe in the bonus system. When municipalities were coming to the government to be relieved of burdens caused by the bonus system it was unwise to allow municipalities to incur any further indebtedness.

Mr. Young dealt with the matter on its merits. It would be unwise to stop a municipality of this kind when it would use a raw product, wool, that is now almost worthless.

Mr. Norris thought there was a marked difference between a bonus and a loan. He favored the proposition to allow the citizens of Brandon to vote on a by-law to loan \$8,000 to this industry.

Mr. Campbell wanted members to be consistent. At the law amendments committee that morning he had tried to get a certain municipality the power to either bonus an elevator, or build an elevator, and it was not allowed. The house had established a principle to abolish all bonuses and they should stand by it.

Hon. Mr. Greenway said this was not a government question, but he intended to vote against it. He was opposed to bonuses and had never voted for one in the house. There

might be some fine distinctions between a loan and a bonus, but he was unable to see it.

Mr. Mulvey supported the bill because he thought the people of Brandon were well protected.

The vote on the bill resulted thus: Yeas—Hon. Mr. Watson, and Messrs. Hettie, Young, Burrows, Jackson, Graham, Smith, Mulvey, Doig, E. Winkler, V. Winkler, Riddell, Jonason, Fisher, Adams, McFadden, Roblin, Fraser, Marion, Fare, Sirett, Norris and Sutcliffe—23.

Nays—Hon. Messrs. Greenway, Mickle and Cameron, and Messrs. McKenzie, Campbell, Dickie, Myers, Lauson and McIntosh—9.

The motion was accordingly declared carried.

### FIGHTING IN PROGRESS.

Canoe, March 26.—10.15 a.m.—Fighting between the Christians and the Turks continued until midnight. During the evening the insurgents burned Mussulmen dwellings and property at Perivolia. This morning they burned and abandoned the fort at Keratidi. Skirmishing is now proceeding about the village Isikalaria, outside of Suda. The insurgents estimated they lost 200 men in the fighting around Malaxa.

### ANXIETY ABOUT MACEDONIA.

St. Petersburg, March 26.—Members of the diplomatic corps here greatly apprehend serious complications in Macedonia which may jeopardise the peace of Europe. The proposal of Great Britain to establish a neutral zone on the Greek frontier is regarded as ineffectual and impracticable. It is urged here to be preferable to accelerate the pacification of Crete by immediately blockading the coast of Greece and thus nip in the bud development of complications in Macedonia.

### RUSTIA ON SCENE.

Canoe, Island of Crete, March 26.—A company of 120 Russian riflemen from Odessa, landed here this morning.

### DIPLMATIC MEASURES.

Constantinople, March 26.—Ambassadors of the powers held a meeting to consider the dispatch from foreign admirals in Cretan waters, stating it is daily becoming more evident a continuance of Turkish authority in Crete is impossible, and recommending a European governor-general be appointed and Turkish troops be withdrawn.

### AUSTRIAN TROOPS.

Vienna, March 26.—An infantry regiment of 678 men sailed yesterday for the Island of Crete, leaving the Austrian contingent for the occupation of the principal ports of the island by forces of the foreign powers.

### A STORY OF THE RAIL.

Miami, Man., March 26.—About 6 o'clock this morning the freight train going east on the N.P. and M. left Deerwood siding. When about a mile out the train, with two engines and forty-eight loaded cars, principally wheat, and four empties, making a train of fifty-two cars, began running pretty fast, owing to a very heavy down grade of about eight miles. The brakes were applied, but it was found that the engine was still increasing the trouble being that a heavy frost had collected on the rails causing the wheels to slide. When the train arrived at bridge 22, it was running at the rate of about seventy-five miles an hour, and here, owing to a curve in the road, the caboose, containing three men, toppled over, also seven freight cars. The train proceeded unimpeded, and at bridge 19 six more cars were derailed, the remainder rushing on frightful rapidity. When the train separated, the rear section, which had a brakeman on, one of the cars in the centre, left the track and ran nearly two miles on the ties. When about half a mile from Miami station the most wonderful thing in the whole affair happened. The trucks shot out from under the car the man was on and left the track clear, so that it did not interfere with the cars in the rear. The car then slid along the rails, swaying to and fro, striking the platform of the station and taking about three feet, for nearly the whole length of it, off, and running about three miles further. The front section ran to Roland. Not a man was injured.

### DEATHS AND ACCIDENTS.

St. Marys, March 26.—Mrs. A. Corbett, of this town, was run over by a G. T. R. shunter at the switch here to-day. Both her legs were severed from the body. She is not likely to recover.

Welland, March 26.—Wm. Brown, a prominent citizen and merchant of Marshville, died this morning of pneumonia, aged 65. He was for many years a member of the county council.

### A MESSAGE TO MEN.

Proving That True Honesty and True Philanthropy Still Exist.

If any man, who is weak, nervous and debilitated, or who is suffering from any of the various troubles resulting from youthful folly, excesses or overwork, will take heart and write to me, I will send him confidentially and free of charge the plan by which I was completely restored to perfect health and manhood, after years of suffering from Nervous Debility, Loss of Vigor and Organic Weakness.

I have nothing to sell, and therefore want no money, but as I know through my own experience how to sympathize with such sufferers, I am glad to be able to assist any fellow-beings to a cure. I am well aware of the prevalence of quackery, for I myself was deceived and imposed upon until I nearly lost faith in mankind, but I rejoice to say that I am now perfectly well and happy once more and am desirous therefore to make this certain means of cure known to all. If you will write to me you can rely upon being cured and the proud satisfaction of having been of great service to one in need will be sufficient reward for my trouble. Absolute secrecy assured. Send no silver to cover postage and address Mr. Geo. G. Strong, North Rockwood, Mich. 1 yr.

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Gilt Edge and Dust 15c a bottle.	
60 pairs Misses' Boots, pebble lace, solid leather, sizes 11 to 2.....	90
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120 pairs Women's pebble lace, solid leather, sizes 3 to 7.....	1.00
120 pairs Women's light, pebble with tip, sizes 3 to 7.....	1.25
120 pairs Women's calf lace, leather lined, sizes 3 to 7.....	1.75
240 pairs Women's Dongola Kid, buttoned, best in Canada, sizes 3 to 7.....	1.50
300 pairs Women's Oxford Shoes, Dongola, J. & T. Bell's, 2 1/2 to 7.....	1.25
120 pairs Women's Lace Boots, grain bellows tongue, sizes 6 to 11.....	1.15
120 pairs Men's Lace Boots, double sole, sizes 6 to 11.....	1.00
60 pairs Men's Long Boots, double sole, sizes 6 to 11.....	2.00
60 pairs Men's Long Boots, extra good, sizes 6 to 11.....	2.75
60 pairs Men's Long Boots, grain, sizes 6 to 11.....	3.00
120 pairs Men's Congress Boot, fine, 6 to 10.....	1.25
120 pairs Men's Lace and Congress, fine, sizes 6 to 10.....	2.00
60 pairs Youths' Boots, lace, sizes 11 to 13.....	85
60 pairs Child's Boots, lace, sizes 7 to 10.....	60
120 pairs Boys' Strong Lace Boots, sizes 1 to 5.....	\$1.00 to 1.25
120 pairs Women's Felt Slippers, felt soles, sizes 3 to 7.....	15
70 pairs Boys' Long Boots, Milwaukee Grain, sizes 1 to 5.....	\$1.75 to 2.00

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For the next two weeks we will sell all our Trimmed Hats, Felt Sailors, Walking Hats and Tams at and below cost. Also a large assortment of Stamped Goods and Woods. We will be pleased to have you call.

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THIS WEEK AT  
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Great High-class Dry Goods, House Furnishing and Men's Outfitting EMPORIUM, the largest stock ready for inspection ever shown in Manitoba.

Our MR. NATION has just returned from a six weeks' purchasing trip to New York, Montreal and other Eastern manufacturing centres.

Large cash purchases were made at most advantageous prices. Special makes and styles were secured and confined to ourselves for Brandon.

Our patrons will share all of the advantages to be derived from these arrangements. Most of the Goods are now in stock and heavy exclamations and congratulations are heard on every side.

Ladies are delighted with our new French Dress Costumes, Covert suits, Box coats, Broches, Serges, etc., and in the cotton Dress Fabrics. Handsome designs and colorings are shown in French Organdie Mullins, Plisse Cloths, Irish Grass Linens, fancy stripes, etc.

In Silks, "MOIRIE ANTIQUE" is the popular silk of the season and may be had in any color, also a perfect galaxy of handsome Blouse Silks entirely new designs.

Broche Grenadines are very much in evidence this season, they are here in all colors 75c.

Tubular and other Brand Trimmings in all widths and colors now in stock.

Ladies are picking up every day choice novelties from our grand stock of Blouses—prices are 50c, 60c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50.

Our elegant display of Ladies Collars, neckties and neckwear is a revelation to the ladies of this city, this being a popular line this season. We have secured a representation of every desirable style in the NEW YORK Market.

Ladies and Children's Satisfier and Walking HATS—Newest Styles—at about one-half the prices charged by Milliners.

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As we write this 10 cases of the very newest and best makes of Men's and Boy's Felt Hats are being unloaded at the door.

We quote men's Soft felt hats—30c, 35c, 40c, 45c, 50c, 55c and up.

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Men's Tweed Caps thousands to choose from—25c, 50c and 75c.

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An inspection of our splendid stock of Hats and Caps will repay you.

CLOTHING! CLOTHING!

Men's Navy Serge Suits well made and trimmed, \$3.50, 4.00 and 5.00 a suit.

Men's Tweed Suits, \$1.50, 5.00, 6.00, 8.00 and 10.00.

Men's Special Fox Serge Suits, Black or Navy, \$9.50.

Men's Black Worsted Pants, solid goods, \$3.00, 3.50 and 4.00.

Men's Spring Overcoats, all wool, solid, dully made and trimmed, \$7.00, \$8.50 and 10.00.

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Woodstock, Mar. 25.—At the assizes this morning a true bill was returned against Wm. McComas and Hattie Gardner, charged with murdering Levi Gardner, the woman's husband, on September 26 last. The trial of the case is now proceeding before Chancellor.

Montreal, March 25.—The latest item in news in political circles is the report current to the effect that Marchand, leader of the Quebec Liberals, will resign and holdout, the attorney-general, under Mercier, will assume the leadership of the provincial Liberals. The Liberals are said to be disappointed over the lack of enthusiasm attending Marchand's leadership, and believe the chance of winning is to have a new leader. Bruneau and Mignault, it is said, have threatened to assume an independent attitude in parliament, owing to the government's neglect to subsidize the South Shore railway.

Toronto, March 25.—The Globe's Ottawa correspondent says: "Members from every quarter of the Dominion are here in a very decided and deep-seated feeling of exasperation among the opposition party in the United States. The bill sent out a few days ago, of the possibility of a tariff bill that would reduce materially the duty on goods imported mainly from Great Britain, and maintain the present scale of duties on goods, mainly from the United States, and also retain the reciprocity clause, permitting a reduction in various schedules to the extent of the American tariff on Canadian goods, has been received with a great deal of approval from all quarters. It would seem as if the ministers may have to restrain the ardor of members in the expression of anti-American sentiment."

Montreal, March 25.—Canadian shipping companies have received notification by cable that as a result of the fact that has been going on in England between the fast and slow boats the west bound stevedores, the rates of prepaid stevedore have been reduced from \$25.50 to \$22.00, the reduction to come into effect at once. It is probable that the American lines will also accept the reduction.

Timonisk, Que., March 25.—Phillippe Goss was found guilty here today of manslaughter in causing the death of his brother last autumn, and was sentenced to six years in the penitentiary. Phillippe was in a railway car and was riding a horse. His brother attempted to quiet him and then the drunken man drew a knife and stabbed his brother twice in the chest. The wounded man died from the loss of blood before a doctor could reach him.

Toronto, March 25.—The Globe's Ottawa report says: "There is not a little speculation as to the course to be followed by the government in regard to the labor question. The general opinion is that when the government gave notice of its intention to introduce a measure covering the whole subject, in fulfillment of Premier Laurier's pledge last session, the pledge has not been forgotten. The government of Canada, while regretting the necessity, will certainly support any measure calculated to convince the authorities at Washington, there is a limit to the patience of Canadians; but while the alien labor law will be passed this season, it is not likely to be a government measure. To make it part of a commercial programme would make the bill a much bigger affair than is necessary and will bring it within the limits of party strife."

The probability is, however, that the bill will be drafted to suit the views of the first minister, and when it comes before the House Premier Laurier will announce himself with his approval. It is this way, however, that the bill will be introduced, and the chances of getting through will be as good as if it were a government one. The bill will be a reproduction of existing American legislation, under which, immigration inspectors turn back Canadians who are leaving families, or retaining places of permanent residence in the Dominion, to obtain employment in the United States, and return from time to time to their own country. All the bills which, around so much excitement on the border, was intended to do, was to make this periodical immigration criminal instead of a civil offense. The effect of the proposed legislation applied to Americans in Canada will be greatest in British Columbia gold fields and in a lesser degree in those of Ontario. Thousands of miners and prospectors on the Pacific slope, leave their families in Butte, Spokane and other cities south of the line. The proposed bill requires them to bring their families to Canada. From Minnesota there is a large influx of laborers into the Ontario fields under similar conditions. The alien labor law may mean, in not a few cases, instead of mining camps, we shall have towns and permanent settlements.

#### Provincial and Territorial.

Henry O'Connor, C. P. R. fire inspector, and John Woodman, of the engineering department, left today for St. Louis, where they will look over the site of a new depot. The C. P. R. station at this point, was destroyed by fire a short time ago.

Between thirty and forty farmers attended the meeting on Tuesday to consider the advisability of establishing a creamery in Souris. The meeting was greatly in favor of going ahead with it, and the promoters have definitely decided to do so. A joint stock company consisting mostly of the business men of the town will purchase the necessary land, and Messrs. J. H. Hartney and H. McEwen will rent and run it. They have already been promised the milk of 400 cows, with some districts to be heard from. Menteith, Deleau, Hartney and Lander will be included in the rounds of the milk gatherers. The old school house building will be used for the factory.—Souris Plaindealer.

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Ladies' Dongola Kid Button Boot for \$1.25—you should see it

Ladies' Pebble Lace Leather Boot for 90c—is a marvel.

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We have to-day one of the best Wearing Shoes for girls, sizes from 4 to 10, \$1.00; and 11 to 2, price \$1.25—and every pair we guarantee or money refunded. These are beautiful goods, and just the thing for wet weather, which we are sure to have. Keep the feet dry. These goods have been tested, and we are prepared to return the money any time if these goods will give entire satisfaction. Boys' Boots and Shoes the same way. We have them that will wear and at prices away down; that is the reason we are doing the Boot and Shoe trade of Brandon to-day. We have put the prices away down. Just think of any Polish in our store for 15 cents a bottle. Gilt Edge, tan colors, or any of these for 15 cents—you know the prices—you know what your Shoe dealers have been charging you for this article. We hope to have the pleasure of showing you through our store, and you will be convinced that we have the Boot and Shoe trade down "fine."

Just opened up several cases of J.D. King's Famous Shoes for men, ladies and children—in all the new shades and colors. Also Men's Leather Leggings—you should see them; and Ladies' Cloth Overgaiters—just the thing for spring. A fine assortment of Men's Fine Driving and Walking Gloves. Get our prices for MEN'S LONG RUBBER BOOTS—the best quality and the lowest price. Have also added this week RUBBER BOOTS for children and ladies—ask to see them.

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Who does not feel within himself the strong appeal to wear a handsome, neat fitting Suit of Clothes, such as we are making for \$15, \$16, \$18 and \$20. If there be such, send him to us and he will be convinced—that neither our goods or fit can be surpassed by any other house in the tailoring line. We carry the best of goods in the market. If you don't know you can get a nice pair of Pants made here for \$3.50 and \$4, come and see. The same goods will cost you \$5 and \$6 in other places.

We also carry a large line of Ready-made Clothing and Men's Furnishings—Shirts of all kinds, Underwear in wools and Balbrakan, for summer wear; also a splendid line of Neckties all shades and colors, these we sell on a very small margin.

Working people and farmers will consult their own interests to come to us for their everyday Working Clothes, Pants, Smocks and Overalls. We make all our own goods in these lines in our factory at Winnipeg, and can give you the best value in these goods.

Come in and see our New Spring Hats and Caps—we have them in all styles and qualities.

All Winter Goods will be sold at cost and under to clear out. This stock consists of Overcoats, Ulsters, Pea-jackets, Underwear, &c.

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SNOW DRIFT, or Fancy Patent, one of the best Pastry Flours the market, and is the highest grade manufactured.

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BAKERS' PRIDE, The highest grade of Strong Bakers' manufactured, and its qualities are superior to anything of the kind ever before placed on the market.

X X X X, This is a grade somewhat lower than the above, and for the manufacture of which is used only the best quality of wheat. It is used in manufacture of Brown Bread and is an excellent food for all purposes.

Our facilities for manufacturing the following are of a superior order and they are always in stock at low prices.

Roller Oats, Granulated Oatmeal, Standard Oatmeal, Rolled Wheat,

All Goods Sold at the Lowest Market Prices for Best Brands.

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## LOCAL NEWS

Mr. J. D. Kennedy is a visitor at the Hub.

County Court here on the 6th of April.

The beautiful is going very rapidly these days.

Mr. John Caldwell was up from Winnipeg last week.

Deloraine has given \$45 to the Indian famine fund.

Sim Fax, the entertainer, died at Montreal last week, aged 39.

Mrs. Hardie's Millinery opening takes place to-morrow and Saturday.

Wilson, Rankin & Co. have their spring millinery opening in full swing.

R. E. A. Leech is spending considerable time in instituting work these days.

W. J. Wallace, of Renfrew County, Ont., is locating in grocery business at Souris.

James Forbes is lying dangerously ill of a lung trouble, at his father's residence.

A. C. Fraser & Co. are making a very strong bid for the dry goods trade this spring.

Brook & Co. have taken the photos in the characters of "The Chimes of Normandy."

Dr. Powers is now a fully fledged dentist and is opening in Coburn & Stewart's block.

The Rev. Mr. Watt is now fully in charge of the Congregational pulpit at Grand Forks, N.D.

Tommy Green is proud of his St. Bernard dog that took second prize at the provincial show.

A. E. Mitchell, the Art tailor, is having his premises overhauled, repapered and refitted.

Dr. Leeson, whose relatives live at Beresford, is going to locate at Douglas this spring.

A regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held Monday evening, and considerable business was transacted.

The wood men are fast returning from Christie's lumber camps where they made an unusually large cut.

There is likely to be a big boom in the bicycle business the coming summer, and the lively men don't like it a bit.

The many friends of Mr. Joseph Driver will be pleased to learn that he is now on the mend, and the chances are growing in his favor.

The wall paper stock at Cliffe's bookstore is acknowledged to be the best in the country at the prices.

The best of gift papers at 20 cents a roll.

The farmers are all declaring vengeance on rust and all such obstructions in the way of wheat growing, from the quantities of bluestone they are buying.

Miss Amy Davidson left on Tuesday morning for Winnipeg to attend her father's funeral. Deceased was formerly a resident of Brandon and highly respected by all.

Several of our most prominent citizens were before the Beak on Tuesday for fast driving. As they were all inexperienced in the ways of the world they were let off easy.

The western members have been chewing the rag, as the boys put it, again over the Brandon court house debentures, but the session has come and gone without making any changes.

For sale at a bargain.—An eight roomed story and a half frame house in the best locality in the city. The price is low and terms of payment will be made to suit any one. Apply at the Mail office.

The managers of the rink wish us to inform the public that the rink will be open on Saturday evening for skating, weather permitting. They would like all having property there to call and remove same as rink will be closed after.

J. D. McGregor and Burchill & Howey are sharp after the western cattle markets this year. On Wednesday they sent one train load of fat cattle to Vancouver and they have three or four more in reserve for later shipment.

A boldy giving the name of McMillan tried to rob Mr. Williams in his hotel at Deloraine the other night. The would-be thief entered Williams' bedroom and began fumbling for the purse, which awoke Williams, and McMillan fled no one knowing whither.

G. B. Connor, of Oak Lake, was in the city Saturday in connection with the levanting of E. A. Myer of that town. If it is said said suddenly leaving creditors to consider debts of some \$1400. Connor bought the piano and had to come here to repay it from the Sheriff.

Conductor Harrison, of Winnipeg, was killed west of McGregor on Tuesday night. It is supposed he left the caboose walking the top to gain the station as the train arrived, for dispatches, and fell between the cars. Deceased was about 30 years old and leaves a wife and four children. He carried \$2000 in the Workmen.

Mr. C. W. Spens returned on Tuesday from a trip to the Duluth section where he had been on immigration business. He is confident from accounts that there will be a large influx of people to our country from the states of Minnesota and Dakota in the spring and summer. When the facts are laid before men over there they see the advantages are this way.

As evidence of the advancement of dairying in the west the increased number of cream separators being brought into use should count for something. Mr. R. Scott, of Shoal Lake, has recently bargained for 9 to be used among the farmers of that district. About 20 of the patrons of the Hamilton creamery have purchased these machines and about the same number in the Mossburn district. Mr. Rossford has sample machines at the Brandon creamery and has already sold a number to farmers of this district. We understand prices are considerably reduced this season.

Holmfeld wants to bonus a flour mill.

The ladies of Deloraine gave a calico ball to a large attendance last week.

Lost on Monday last, two English Greyhound bitches about 7 months old—color fawn. Leave information at the Sun office, Brandon.

The greatest treat of the season will be in store for those who visit the Opera Hall on the 20th of April, it being the occasion of the Band and Orchestra concert. Mr. Henneberg, our able conductor, has taken every pains to make this a great success. He has been assiduously training the orchestra for some time for the occasion, whence they will be able to render the public the choicest of music. Mr. Henneberg has been an acquisition to our city and has on several occasions put himself and the orchestra at the disposal of the local entertainments. To the appreciation of his services thus rendered, the citizens should owe and all attend this great musical benefit.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

Editor Star:

At the last meeting of the Melgund lodge I.O.G.T., the members decided after a spirited discussion that the temperance cause is dead in this district and that the power of rum and ardent spirits now holds sway in the Melgund district.

Therefore it was moved and seconded and unanimously carried that Wm. White, Alf. Thomas, J. Keeler and J. Dunning be a committee to visit the hotel keepers and rum sellers in order to obtain the lowest rates at which ale, whiskey, rum, etc. can be obtained in bulk as this lodge wishes to place a large order in this line immediately.

The lodge was unanimous in agreeing to place all the money at present in the treasury at the disposal of the committee. A full report is expected from the committee at our next meeting Friday evening next.

## FOOTBALL.

A large and enthusiastic meeting of footballers was held Friday night in the Y.M.C.A. rooms to organize for the provincial league.

Mr. G. D. Shortreed, the western representative on the executive of the provincial association, was chairman. The following officers were elected:

Hon. President, R. M. Matheson.  
Pres., G. D. Wilson.  
Vice-pres., A. Gillies.  
Sec.-treas., G. D. Shortreed.  
Captain, R. Clement.  
Vice-captain, M. Matheson.  
Committee, Geo. Leech, Cliff Harrison and S. Clement.

After discussing the prospects of the coming season, it was decided to unite the different clubs of the city under one executive. Two teams will compete in the Manitoba Association series, a senior team and a junior team. The senior team will compete for the Daly Cup also.

Alexander is not likely to enter the association this year. This is rather unfortunate as the Alexander team was equal to the best in the province last season. Souris will put a strong team in the field, and there are prospects of a sharp contest in this district.

In the Daly competition the following teams will take part: Hayfield, Wawanesa, Souris, Nesbitt, Rounthwaite and Brandon.

At no time has the outlook for football in Brandon been so bright as it is this year. All that is required is the hearty appreciation and co-operation of the people; the boys will do the rest.

## SHAREHOLDERS OF A MINING COMPANY ELECT OFFICERS.

Brandon, March 24.—A meeting of the shareholders of the Mikado and Korinto Mining Company, of Roseland, B.C., was held in the city on Monday evening last. Most of the resident shareholders and those of Roseland, Ottawa and other places were represented by proxy. The officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Hon. T. Mayne Daly, Roseland, B.C.; vice-pres., R. M. Matheson, Brandon; secretary-treasurer, W. L. Orde, Roseland; superintendent, H. McPherson, Roseland; director, W. L. Parrish, Brandon.

This company, which was only recently incorporated, are the owners of the mining claims known as the Mikado and Korinto. They are situated about two miles from Roseland, B.C., and adjoining the well known claims "North Star No. 2" and "Centre Star No. 3." Some development work has been done that would indicate that these are valuable properties. The company decided to put the shares on the market at once, the proceeds of which will be devoted to extensive development work.

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## COURT OF REVISION.

Public Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the Assessment Roll for the City of Brandon for the current year has been deposited in the office of the Secretary-Treasurer for the City of Brandon. That said assessment roll will remain open to all parties for inspection, at said office, for fourteen days.

Any parties desiring to complain against the assessment roll must bring their complaint in writing to the office of the Assessor within the fourteen days next after the return of said roll.

That the council will sit as a Court of Revision on the 22nd of April, A.D. 1897, at the hour of eight o'clock, in the Council Chamber, in the City of Brandon to examine and assess the same and hear all complaints in connection with same.

Noted at the City of Brandon this 21st Day of March, A.D. 1897.

J. B. WHITEHEAD,  
Recorder and Treasurer  
For the City of Brandon.

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" " Fluted	10c	"
" Prints 1/2 pound round	25c	"
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"I have taken a box of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, which I got at Mr. H. W. Leach's drug store, corner Broadway and Banforth-avenues. They restored my nerves to their normal condition, and I need up my system to such an extent that all the distressing ailments I have mentioned have completely disappeared. I say it without any qualification whatever that they are a splendid medicine for shattered nerves and their attending evils. I cannot too highly praise the wonderful virtues of these pills in all cases of heart trouble."

(Sd.) THOMAS BENNETT,  
Doncaster, Ont.

## RATES TO KOOTENAY.

Between March 20.—The rate war between the Canadian Pacific and Great Northern for passenger traffic to the Kootenay has resulted in a material reduction of rates, through tickets from Toronto being now obtainable for about \$40 over the Great Northern. The Grand Trunk is supposed to be working a combination with the Great Northern. The Canadian Pacific is meeting the cut.

## MURDOCH'S HOUSEFURNISHING EMPORIUM.

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20 lbs Raisins	1 00
"ruces	1 00
23 lbs Sugar	1 00
17 lbs Dried Apples	1 00
Orange & Lemon peel	20c
Ess. Lemon & Vanilla	10
3 lbs Corn Starch	25
Mince Meat	10
Cans Canned Fruit	15
3 lbs Candles	25
1 lb Can Baking Powder	15
Black Pepper	15
Allspice	15
Cocoa	25
5 Gallons Coal Oil	\$1 40

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Have secured their Spring Carpets during the great discount sale. We would just remind those that have not yet taken advantage of it that the sale is nearing a close.

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